



## Brown County Crime Prevention Funding Board

Meeting Minutes from May 4, 2021

Present: Judge Tammy Hock, Sheriff Todd Delain, David Lasee, District Attorney, Troy Streckenbach, County Executive, Chief Derek Beiderwieden, Jeff Cano, State Public Defender's Office, Mayor Eric Genrich.

Judge Hock calls the meeting to order at 12:10 p.m.

Motion by County Executive Streckenbach and seconded by Sheriff Delain to approve Minutes of January 12, 2021. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Fund balance \$53,851.53 as of March 31, 2021.

### Old Business:

Discussion of grant referrals to the Crime Prevention Foundation of Brown County (hereinafter the "*Foundation*") and concerns raised by the Greater Green Bay Community Foundation (hereinafter the "*GGBCF*"). *GGBCF* to look at alternative ways to sponsor and/or disburse funds through the *Foundation*. Sheriff Delain inquires if the statute allows funds from the Brown County Crime Prevention Funding Board (hereinafter the "*Funding Board*") to be utilized for administrative fees. This is one proposal *GGBCF* may propose to cover their costs to manage and disburse funds. *GGBCF* has indicated funneling funds through the *Foundation* violates the current guidelines of the *Foundation* and the operational procedures of *GGBCF*.

Judge Hock inquires if a legislative amendment could be proposed to accomplish the statutory objective. Chief Beiderwieden states Brown County is unique because we have two foundations with their own vetting process. Discussion on how Jackie Nitschke Center and Golden House's primary function is not crime prevention, but the grant programs promote and support crime reduction. Similarly, neighborhood associations do not qualify as a statutory eligible entity without sponsorship through a law enforcement agency. Legally, the *Funding Board* can give the *Foundation* money, but the *Funding Board* would not be able to select a specific organization and funds would be limited to the *Foundation's* guidelines. Per the statute, the *Funding Board* is permitted to give up to 50% of

the fund balance to the *Foundation* or Green Bay Area Crime Stoppers.

Discussion of law enforcement agencies sponsoring programs and whether the County Treasurer can cut the check directly to the applicant or does the law enforcement agency need to disburse the funds through their own agency. County Executive Troy Streckenbach indicated he would need to discuss with Administration, Finance and County Treasurer to determine how these funds are managed. District Attorney Lasee states per Wis. Stats. 59.54(28)(d)(1) it appears the Treasurer would have limited authority and could only issue to the two entities listed in sub (a) and (b). Judge Hock, Jeff Cano and District Attorney Lasee to meet and discuss this statute.

County Executive Streckenbach would suggest a follow up discussion to some of the options with *GGBCF*, as a legislative fix is not a short term solution. Sheriff Delain inquires if the *Funding Board* can use funds to pay administrative fees? District Attorney Lasee feels if they are disbursed to the *Foundation*, yes.

New Business:

Motion by Sheriff Delain and seconded by Chief Derek Beiderwieden to approve Green Bay Area Crime Stoppers grant application in the amount of \$11,200 and to table Old Business and the Coalition for Youth/Adult Diversion Programs grant application until next meeting. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Next meeting scheduled for June 8, 2021 at 12:15 pm via Zoom. Motion by Sheriff Delain and seconded by County Executive Streckenbach to adjourn the meeting at 12:51 p.m. **Motion carried unanimously.**